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Parks & Recreation Activity Guide

September - December, 2004



***Creating Community
Through People,
Parks and Programs***

Two new fees take effect September 1, 2004

Late fees:

The department will be assessing a \$10 late fee for registering in a youth program after the deadline and a \$25 late fee for registering in an adult league program after the deadline.

Transfer fee:

The department will assess a \$10 transfer fee for requests to be transferred between teams or programs. To request a transfer, a transfer request form must be completed and the transfer fee attached.

Late and transfer fees are non-refundable.

Don't miss another registration deadline!

Sign up for the new Lodi Parks and Recreation electronic newsletter and avoid paying late fees for missed registration dates.

Go to www.lodi.gov and click on the Parks and Recreation link. Fill in the form and hit "submit", then confirm the email sent to verify your address. You will begin receiving newsletters every three to five weeks.

Registration Information

Hours of operation:

The Recreation Division is open Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except for major holidays.

Refunds and Transfers:

Refund requests must be made prior to the second meeting of the program or class to receive a refund. An administrative fee will be deducted. A refund request form must be completed. Transfer requests must be made through a transfer request form. A \$10 fee applies to all transfer requests.

Registration Forms:

Forms are available in the Recreation office or can be downloaded from the Parks and Recreation website www.lodi.gov for some programs (instructions are on form). Completed forms can be mailed or dropped off at 125 N. Stockton Street, Lodi, CA 95240.

Financial assistance through scholarship programs is available for youth ages 16 and under who meet certain income eligibility requirements. Two separate and distinct service groups provide scholarship funding for this program: Boosters of Boys/Girls Sports Organization (BOBS) and Lodi Sports Foundation. Applications are available at the Parks and Recreation Department. Please allow up to one week for processing your request. All requests are kept confidential.

Registration Transaction:

Be sure your forms are complete with all pertinent information: enrollees full legal name; address; phone number; birth date; emergency contact information; doctor numbers, etc.

- Have all necessary verification papers with you - birth certificates, report cards, etc. The program flyer will let you know what is required.
- Be sure and sign the forms. Some forms require a separate signature for the medical release.
- Use the activity registration code for the program you are signing up for. This number can be found on the flyer and in this activity guide.
- Have your payment ready.

Resident and Non-Resident Fees

Class listings will have fees listed with a "R" or "NR" designation. This refers to your residential status. If you live within the City of Lodi boundaries, you pay the Resident (R) price, and if you live outside the city, you will need to pay the Non-Resident (NR) prices.

If you have any questions about your residential status, please call the office at 333-6742.

Parks & Recreation's Mission

It is the purpose of the Lodi Parks and Recreation Department to provide public recreation services of a significant nature and acquire, preserve and improve park lands and environmental amenities to make leisure needs and the environment meaningful and worthwhile influences on the way of life of the citizens of Lodi.

Parks & Recreation Commission

David Akin
Scott Davis
Bob Johnson
Ken Sasaki
Ed Wall

Commission, Council & B.O.B.S. Meeting Info

- *The Parks and Recreation Commission* meets the first Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Carnegie Forum, 221 W. Pine Street.
- *The Lodi City Council* meets the first and third Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Carnegie Forum, 221 W. Pine Street.
- *The Boosters of Boys & Girls Sports Executive Board* meets the second Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at Parks and Recreation office, 125 N. Stockton Street.

STAFF & LOCAL FACILITY PHONE NUMBERS

Parks & Recreation Offices	333-6742
Parks & Recreation Field Conditions.....	333-6744
Recreation Division Fax Line.....	333-0162
Parks Division Fax Line	333-6153

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Rachel Sawyer.....333-6800 x2907
Grant Plath.....333-6800 x2451

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Duane Wright368-1012

Parks Staff

Steve Virrey368-1012

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Susan Bjork333-6800 x2452

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Terri Lovell, Marci Lavallis, Patricia Ochoa,
Olivia Matlock, Leann Brunet333-6742

Facility Phone Numbers

Enze/Field Swim Complex.....368-6132
Hutchins Street Square..... 333-6782
Hutchins St. Senior Center 369-6921
Hutchins St. Pool.....369-2765
Lee Jones Building/Legion Park .. 333-9730^(p)
Lodi Lake Beach..... 368-5624
Lodi Lake Discovery Center..... 333-6890
Lodi Lake Main Entrance 368-6890
Softball Complex.....333-9893^(p)

(p) denotes a pay phone

Other Frequently Used Phone Numbers

American Red Cross office..... 466-6971
Animal Shelter..... 333-6741
Chamber of Commerce office 367-7840
Dog Obedience Classes.....546-1616
Grape Bowl Fieldhouse..... 334-0429
Grape Festival office.....369-2771
Lodi Arts Center.....368-4925
Lodi Arts Commission 367-5442
Lodi City Hall.....333-6800
Lodi City Swim Club..... 368-8475
Micke Grove Zoo.....331-7270
Oak Grove Park..... 953-8800
San Joaquin County Parks.....331-7400
Special Olympics..... 944-8206

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Kayak & Canoe Trips

Come out and join us for a scenic paddle down the Mokelumne River.

Fee includes boat, paddles, and life jackets. Participants are encouraged to bring a light snack and refreshments. Flashlights are recommended for night trips.

Participants under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information contact Grant Plath at 333-6890.

Location: Lodi Lake Boathouse

Cost: \$10

Code	Dates	Time	Age
8744.9014	9/11/04	9:00 am-12:00 pm	All ages
8744.9015	9/18/04	9:00 am-12:00 pm	All ages
8744.9016	9/25/04	7:00 am-10:00 pm	All ages



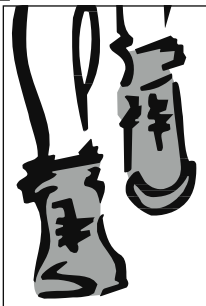
Christmas Tree Run

The annual Lodi Christmas Tree Run will be held Saturday, December 11 at Lodi Lake Park. This series of races will have runs for 6 & under, 9 & under, 12 & under, and the featured event is a 3.1 mile run for all ages. Your \$17.00 registration fee, if received by Nov. 28, includes a collector's edition long-sleeved t-shirt. Come join us for this wonderful family event! For more information contact Michael Reese at 333-6800 ext. 2450.

Location: Lodi Lake Boathouse

Code	Dates	Time	Cost	Age
3725.6300	Dec. 11	8:30 am	\$17*	All ages
3725.6301	Dec. 11	8:30 am	\$5	All ages

*Cost includes T-Shirt



Adult Tennis Classes

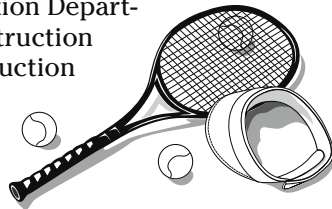
Future Stars 2000 and the Lodi Parks and Recreation Department continue the future of professional tennis instruction in Lodi! This offering is for adult players, with instruction designed for each individual player.

Your goal may be tournament rankings or just having fun while improving your game. The instructors are among the best in Northern California and all are accomplished players with a strong teaching background. Classes are available Wednesdays only. You may also drop in to any class for a small fee. For more information contact Michael Reese at 333-6800 ext. 2450.

Location: Kofu Tennis Courts

Cost: 60R / \$67NR

Code	Dates	Time	Age
3724.3638	Sept 22-Oct 13	7:30-8:30 pm	Adult
3724.3639	Oct 27-Nov 17	7:30-8:30 pm	Adult



Adult Basketball

Adult basketball registration will be taken September 13-29. The team fee for the full court 5 on 5 league is \$310. The season runs from November through February. For more information contact Michael Reese at 333-6800 ext. 2450.

Location: Grape Pavillion

Cost: \$325 per team / \$20NR

Code	Dates	Time	Age
5424.5100	Nov-Feb	Evenings	14 and older

Adult Soccer

Adult soccer registration will be accepted January 3-19, with a team fee of \$215. Play is held for both coed and mens divisions at Beckman Park on Sunday afternoons from March through May. Numbered shirts are required for all teams.

This is a social/recreational program played on a short field with seven players on the field. For more information contact Michael Reese at 333-6800 ext. 2450.

Location: Beckman Park

Cost: \$215 per team / \$20NR

Code	Dates	Time	Age
5335.5100	Mar-May	Sunday afternoon	14 - Adult MENS Division
5335.5300	Mar-May	Sunday afternoon	14 - Adult COED Division

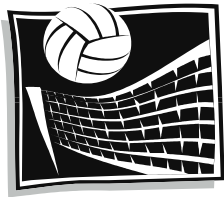
Adult Volleyball

Adult volleyball registration is taken January 3-19, with a team fee of \$160. Play is held at Tokay High from March through May. Divisions are offered for both mens and coed play. For more information contact Michael Reese at 333-6800 ext. 2450.

Location: Tokay High Gym

Cost: \$160 per team / \$20NR

Code	Dates	Time	Age
5535.5100	March-May	Evenings	14-Adult MENS Division
5535.5300	March-May	Evenings	14 -Adult COED Division



Adult Entry Level Golf

Learn the fundamentals of golf in six 1-hour classes.

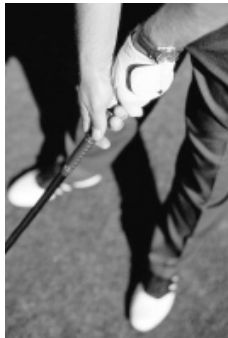
This class meets on Thursdays and is the last class offering for the season. Fee includes a complimentary green fee at Micke Grove Golf Links (some restrictions will apply) and a sleeve of balls. Registration is limited to the first 16 participants so sign up early to secure your place.

Classes are held at Micke Grove Golf Links, 11401 N. Micke Grove Road. For more information contact Susan Bjork at 333-6800 ext. 2452.

Location: Micke Grove Golf Links

Cost: \$60R / \$67NR

Code	Dates	Time	Age
3724.4930	9/9-10/14	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Adult



Autumn Adventures

Autumn Adventurers is our newest off-track day camp for children ages 5-14.

Children will meet in the Lee Jones building at Legion Park for a day filled with fun activities. Each day will consist of organized games, art activities and special projects. This program operates Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. **Cost is \$85 per week plus cost of field trips** (see sessions 3, 8, 11 for additional cost).

Registration is only accepted at the Parks and Recreation Department, 125 N. Stockton Street and should be completed by the Wednesday BEFORE the start of each session. Fees are due prior to start of session. **For more information contact Rachel Sawyer at 333-6742.**

Days: Monday - Friday Times: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm

Code	Dates	Cost	Session	Location
1014.0401	8/31-9/03	\$85	#1	Legion Park
1014.0402	9/6-9/10	\$85	#2	Legion Park
1014.0403	9/13-9/17	\$105	#3	Legion Park Sacramento Field Trip
1014.0404	9/20-9/24	\$85	#4	Legion Park
1014.0405	9/27-10/01	\$85	#5	Legion Park
1014.0406	10/4-10/8	\$85	#6	Legion Park
1014.0407	10/11-10/15	\$85	#7	Legion Park
1014.0408	10/18-10/22	\$105	#8	Legion Park Apple Hill Field Trip
1014.0409	10/25-10/29	\$85	#9	Legion Park
1014.0410	11/1-11/5	\$85	#10	Legion Park
1014.0411	11/8-11/12	\$110	#11	Legion Park San Jose Field Trip
1014.0412	11/15-11/19	\$85	#12	Legion Park
1014.0413	11/22-11/24	\$60	#13	Legion Park

Youth Tennis Classes

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The instructors are among the best in Northern California and all are accomplished players with a strong teaching background. Classes are available either one or two days each week. You may also drop in to any class for a small fee. **For more information contact Michael Reese at 333-6800 ext. 2450.**

Location: Kofu Tennis Courts

Code	Dates	Time	Cost	Age
Tiny Tots				
3724.3608	Sept 20-Oct 13	4:30-5:00 pm	\$28R \$35NR	4-7 years
3724.3609	Oct 25-Nov 17	4:30-5:00 pm	\$28R \$35NR	4-7 years
Pre-Academy				
3724.3618	Sept 20-Oct 13	5:00-6:00 pm	\$42R \$49NR	8-17 years
3724.3619	Oct 25-Nov 17	5:00-6:00 pm	\$42R \$49NR	8-17 years
Jr. Excellence				
3724.3628	Sept 20-Oct 13	6:00-7:30 pm	\$60R \$67NR	10-18 years
3724.3629	Oct 25-Nov 17	6:00-7:30 pm	\$60R \$67NR	10-18 years

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After School Programs

The Lodi Parks & Recreation Department in Cooperation with the Lodi Unified School District is proud to offer the After School Playground (ASP) Program, designed to meet the needs of children in grades K-6th and their working parents.

Children can participate in the program from 2:45 to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Afterschool staff organizes and facilitates activities throughout the week that will keep your child safe, active, and involved with other children from your child's own school.

All children must be enrolled by a parent or guardian prior to participation in the program. You can register

your children at the Lodi Parks and Recreation Department, 125 N. Stockton Street.

The annual registration fee is \$20.00 per child and payment is required at the time of enrollment. **The program fee is \$85.00 per month.**

- Staff is on site for all early dismissal days.
- Punch Cards are also available for 5 and 10 day passes good throughout the school year. A one-time annual registration fee will apply.



School Sites: Beckman, Nichols, Vinewood, Reese, Lakewood, and Lois Borchardt Elementary schools.

Program Dates	Cost	Age
YRE (check with school site)	\$20.00 Registration Fee \$85.00 per month per child	5-12
YRE (check with school site)	5 Day Punch card \$10.00 Registration fee \$35.00 fee	5-12
YRE (check with school site)	10 Day Punch card \$10.00 Registration fee \$60.00 fee	5-12

Middle School Hang-out Club Punch Cards

This program is designed to give middle school aged kids a place to hang out in a safe, well supervised environment after school.

Fun activities, great field trips and homework assistance is the structure of the program. With the punch card, you or your child picks when they want to participate - the ultimate in flexibility. A one-time annual registration fee is due with the purchase of the first card. **Program is offered at Lodi Middle School and Millwood Middle School on days when school is in session.** For more information contact Rachel Sawyer at 333-6742.

2004/05 School year, Ages 12-14

Your Site Choice: Lodi or Millwood Middle School

Code	Dates	Time	Cost
1054.7804	2:45-6:00 pm	\$10.00 Reg. fee \$60.00 for 10 punch card	\$5-\$10 Field Trip Cost
1054.7805	2:45-6:00 pm	\$10.00 Reg. fee \$35.00 for 5 punch card	\$5-\$10 Field Trip Cost

Winter Explorers

Winter Explorers is our latest off-track day camp for children ages 5-14.

Children will meet in the Lee Jones building at Legion Park for a day filled with fun activities. Each day will consist of organized games, art activities and special projects. This program operates Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. **Cost is \$85 per week plus cost of field trips** (see session 3 for additional cost).

Registration is only accepted at the Parks and Recreation Department, 125 N. Stockton Street and should be completed by the Wednesday BEFORE the start of each session. Fees are due prior to start of session. Additional sessions will be offered in January. For more information contact Rachel Sawyer at 333-6742.

Days: Monday - Friday • Time: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm

Code	Dates	Cost	Session	Location
1014.0414	11/29-12/3	\$85	#1	Legion Park
1014.0415	12/6-12/10	\$85	#2	Legion Park
1014.0416	12/13-12/17	\$110	#3	Legion Park Alcatraz in S.F.
1014.0417	12/20-12/23	\$85	#4	Legion Park
1014.0418	12/27-12/30	\$85	#5	Legion Park

Off Track Day Trips

Children not registered in the Autumn Adventurers or Winter Explorers day programs may still participate in day trips. Three separate trips are planned. Cost includes supervision, bus ride, and admission. Registration is only accepted at the Parks and Recreation Department, 125 N. Stockton Street, and should be completed one week prior to scheduled trip. **For more information contact Rachel Sawyer at 333-6742.**

Ages: 5-14

Times: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm

Code	Dates	Cost	Location
1014.0403	9/16/04	\$60	Sacramento IMAX Theater, Zoo, William Land Park
1014.0408	10/19/04	\$60	Apple Hill & Indian Grinding Rock
1014.0411	11/9/04	\$60	Winchester Mystery House
1014.0416	12/16/04	\$60	Alcatraz in San Francisco

Handling Bullies

Surveys of children regularly show “bullying” to be their MAJOR concern at school, although they rarely admit it to parents. This class for you and your child will give your child a proven non-violent, non-confrontational method to end bullying! **This class is taught by Greg McQuoid, a teacher and safety instructor for over 10 years, and is one of his most successful programs.**

Give your child the tools to prevent being a bully’s victim. For more information contact Susan Bjork at 333-6800 ext. 2452.

Ages: 5-15 • Location: Legion Park Building

Code	Dates	Time	Cost
3714.8200	10/16/04	10:30 am - noon	\$35R \$42NR

Cost for Additional Child: \$15R \$22NR

Visit us on the web at www.lodi.gov.

Sign up to receive our e-news updates with current classes & events.

kidSAFE Karate

This program provides your child the opportunity to gain skills and knowledge that may be used to protect themselves and enhance their self-esteem. At the end of each session students will be tested and advanced appropriately.

Please note there will be a parent orientation the first class meeting. At the end of each session there will be a \$7.00 advancement fee. There will be uniforms and other equipment available for purchase from the instructor. (All items are optional) **This class meets on Thursday (11 classes total). No class will be held November 11 & 25.**

Location: To Be Announced

Code	Date	Time	Age	Fee
3714.4200	9/16-9/29	4:30 - 5:10 p.m.	5-7	\$50R \$57NR
3714.4201	9/16-9/29	5:15 - 5:55 p.m.	8-13	\$50R \$57NR
3714.4202	9/16-9/29	6:00 - 6:40 p.m.	Yellow Belt	\$50R \$57NR



kidSAFE Cheerleading

Children will learn the basic cheerleading moves, cheers, and routines. This class will help your child build self-esteem while having fun learning. This is recreational cheerleading and is a fun and educational program.

There will be uniforms and Pom Poms available for purchase from your instructor. The uniforms may be worn each week to class (all items are optional). Little Pros are for returning participants. **For more information contact Susan Bjork at 33-6800 ext.2452. This class meets of Mondays (12 classes total). No class will be held Nov. 22.**

Location: To Be Announced

Code	Date	Time	Age	Fee
3714.4100	9/13-12/6	5:15 - 5:55 p.m.	5-7	\$50R \$57NR
3714.4101	9/13-12/6	6:00 - 6:40 p.m.	8-13	\$50R \$57NR
3714.4102	9/13-12/6	6:45 - 7:25 p.m.	Little Pro	\$50R \$57NR

Junior Golf Camp

Introduce your youngster to the world of golf in this 4-day mini golf camp. This is the last camp available for the season so sign up early. Children will learn the fundamentals of the game and practice their swing. Daily snacks are provided and a barbecue lunch is held on the last day.

Please bring your own clubs if possible. For more information contact Susan Bjork at 333-6800 ext. 2452.

Location: Micke Grove Golf Links, 11401 N. Micke Grove Rd.

Code	Date	Time	Age	Fee
3724.4926	09/13/04-09/16/04	9:00 am-Noon	7-14	\$60R \$67NR

Kidnap Prevention

The polite and helpful child you’ve raised is an ideal victim for a kidnapper. Learn with your child how to recognize and avoid dangerous individuals. Role-play, discussion and a question and answer session along with simple self-defense techniques for children make this a MUST ATTEND! **This class is taught by Greg McQuoid, a teacher and safety instructor for over 10 years.** For more information contact Susan Bjork at 333-6800 ext. 2452

Ages: 5-15 • Location: Legion Park Building

Code	Dates	Time	Cost
3714.8100	10/16/04	9:00 am - 10:30 am	\$35R \$42NR

Cost for Additional Child: \$15R \$22NR



Spartan Junior Basketball League

Children in grades Kindergarten through 3rd grade learn the basic fundamentals of basketball in a fun and non-competitive environment. This is a seven week program beginning November 6th. Practices will be held prior to game start.

Children are provided with a t-shirt and picture packet. Coaches needed to help make this program a success. **Signup now through September 15th. For more information contact Grant Plath at 333-6800 ext. 2451.**

Code	Dates	Cost		Age
2414.4400	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	Kindergarten
2414.4401	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	1st grade boys
2414.4402	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	1st grade girls
2414.4403	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	2nd grade boys
2414.4404	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	2nd grade girls
2414.4405	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	3rd grade boys
2414.4406	11/6-12/18	\$30R	\$37NR	3rd grade girls

Hornet Junior Basketball League

Children in grades 4th through 6th grades enhance their skills in a structured environment. This program begins January 8th and goes through February. Practices to be determined. Mandatory tryouts for 6th grade level - NO CUTS. Tryout date TBA.

Playoffs for 6th grade level only will be the first week of March. Children are provided with a t-shirt and picture packet. Coaches needed to help make this program a success. **Signup now through September 15th. For more information contact Grant Plath at 333-6800 ext. 2451.**

Code	Dates	Cost		Age
2414.4501	1/8/05-02/26	\$35R	\$42NR	4th grade boys
2414.4502	1/8/05-02/26	\$35R	\$42NR	4th grade girls
2414.4503	1/8/05-02/26	\$35R	\$42NR	5th grade boys
2414.4504	1/8/05-02/26	\$35R	\$42NR	5th grade girls
2414.4505	1/8/05-02/26	\$35R	\$42NR	6th grade boys
2414.4506	1/8/05-02/26	\$35R	\$42NR	6th grade girls

Comet & Cardinal Basketball (7th & 8th Grade)

Registration Sep. 7th-30th 2004, Monday -Friday at the Lodi Parks and Recreation Office. This will be a draft league program, with cuts a possibility. Tryouts will be in early November. League play is December through February.

Registration fee includes team pictures and complete uniform. Tryouts are required. Games are scheduled to be played at the Lodi Grape Pavilion. Practice will be conducted at various sites. For more information contact Tom Alexander at 333-6800 ext. 2453.

Code	Dates	Cost		Age
2424.1100	Dec - Feb	\$40R	\$47NR	7th Grade Boys
2424.1200	Dec - Feb	\$40R	\$47NR	8th Grade Boys
2424.1300	Dec - Feb	\$40R	\$47NR	7th Grade Girls
2424.1400	Dec - Feb	\$40R	\$47NR	8th Grade Girls



Lodi Referee's Soccer Association Fall Classic

Boys Comp soccer teams from throughout Northern California will compete at various Lodi sites.

Sept 25 & 26, 2004 • No Admission Charged

Girls Girls Comp Soccer Teams from Northern California will play in a two day tournament at various Lodi sites.

Oct 30-31, 2004 • Free Gate Admission



For more information contact Bob Askloff at 333-1131.

Late Nite Basketball Program



This program is designed for 14 -24 year old players. Games are played at the Lodi Grape Pavilion. Program is scheduled for Nov 2004 to Mar 2005. Cost \$25 per participant. Non resident fees will apply. Cost and dates are subject to change. For more information contact Tom Alexander at 333-6800 ext. 2453.

Nov-Mar \$25 per person
Ages 14-24 Grape Pavilion

Punt, Pass & Kick

A National contest of football skill for both boys and Girls. Open to all Lodi area youth. This is a free program and will be held at the Historic Lodi Grape Bowl. For more information contact Tom Alexander at 333-6800 ext. 2453.

Sep or Oct Price: Free
Youth Grape Bowl

Lodi City Swim Club



Summer is just about over, but that doesn't mean swimming is. If your child has a love for swimming, try the city's year round swimming program. Call John Griffin, head swim coach, at 368-8475 or visit the Lodi City Swim Club site at www.lodiaquatics.com for more information.

Youth Baseball and Softball Signups

Mark your calendar! Youth Baseball and Softball sign ups will be in January 2005. For more information contact Tom Alexander at 333-6800 ext. 2453.

Mar-Jul Price TBA
6 to 16 Various Locations

Volunteer Coaches Needed

Volunteer coaches are what make youth programs successful in Lodi. Without the tireless efforts of so many men and women in the community, the Parks and Recreation Department would not be able to offer such a wide variety of youth sports programs.

But there's always a shortage of coaches. Next time you sign up your child for one of these sports, consider checking the box to coach: softball, baseball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, swim league, tot programs (kick-ball, soccer, t-ball, basketball).

Be a part of this rewarding experience! Complete a coaches application and schedule an appointment at the front desk to be fingerprinted through LiveScan. Once your fingerprints have been cleared, you are ready to coach. *Many of the youth programs provide coaches manuals, coaches shirts, and support. Head coaches and assistance coaches are always in demand - sign up today!*



Parks Division

The Parks Division’s mission is to provide park users with safe, attractive, and usable park, open space, and recreational facilities. The Division is made up of 24 full time employees and 16 part-time employees. Responsibilities within the division include the repair and construction of park facilities including playground and athletic facilities, swimming and wading pools, restroom cleaning, landscape and grounds maintenance, refuse removal, picnic area maintenance, and night locking services at the various neighborhood parks, sports facilities, and Lodi Lake Park and Nature Area.

Community Services

The Parks Division has highly trained personnel on staff. **Feel free to contact the park superintendent with questions related to the following subjects so he can direct your specific questions to the appropriate staff person: arboriculture, pest control, scout community service projects, high school senior projects, turf management, sports facility management, landscape and grounds maintenance, playground equipment design, inspections and maintenance, and swimming pool maintenance.**

The Parks Division staff includes a certified arborist, pest control advisor, and two certified playground inspectors that are available for sharing information. The current full time staff has approximately 340 years of service to the community of Lodi. *The Parks Division is here to serve!*

*Lodi Parks and Recreation...
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Through People,
Parks and Programs.*



Mowing Schedule for Parks and Facilities

The Parks Division mows parks throughout the week according to the following schedule:

Monday:

Lodi Lake Park, Candy Cane Park, Peterson Park

Tuesday:

Lawrence Park, Emerson Park, Blakely Park, Borchardt Park, Salas Park, Zupo Field

Wednesday:

Legion Park, Kofu Park, Vinewood Park, Grape Bowl

Thursday:

Hale Park, Katzakian Park, Van Burskirk Park, Century Park, English Oaks Commons, Beckman Park, Peterson Park, Grape Bowl

Friday:

Henry Graves Park, Softball Complex, Zupo Field, Grape Bowl, Armory Park

Dog Exercise Areas Does Fido need some exercise and socialization?

Designated dog-friendly parks are located throughout the city of Lodi. Dogs are permitted within signed areas at the following parks:

- Beckman Park
1426 W. Century Boulevard
- Lawrence Park
350 N. Washington Street
- Vinewood Park
1824 W. Tokay Street
(dog area located off Virginia Street)
- Lodi Lake Park
1101 W. Turner Road
Dogs allowed on asphalt and in the Rotary Area dog run only.
ABSOLUTELY NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED IN THE NATURE AREA.

Dogs must be leashed at all times outside of designated, signed areas. Failure to observe may result in a fine.

Off leash water exercise area

Signed access to the Mokelumne River for water exercise is located off Lodi Lake’s west bank just west of the cemetery. Dogs must be leashed to and from water area.

Please help keep are parks clean - pick up after your dog!

This is our last issue!

In an our continued efforts to provide our customers with up-to-date and accurate information on their favorite activities and programs, the department will be changing to a quarterly newsletter format beginning in January 2005.

The newsletters will be available at various city facility locations such as city hall and the library as well as the Parks and Recreation Office. Selected mailings and distribution through schools will also be utilized.

Additionally, the department produces and electronic newsletter sent via email once every three to five weeks.

To sign up for the electronic newsletter, go to www.lodi.gov and select the Parks and Recreation link.

Salmon 5k Fun “Spawn” Run

A Fun Run for all ages on October 16th.

Pre-register by October 1 at the Lodi Parks and Recreation office to receive a t-shirt. Same day registration does not include t-shirt, but one can be purchased at the event.

Event Date	Cost	Age	Location
10/16/04	\$10 Pre-register w/shirt	12 and under	Lodi Lake Park
10/16/04	\$15 Pre-register w/shirt	13 and over	Lodi Lake Park

What is a Lodi Lake Docent?

The Lodi Lake Nature Area Docent Program is an active group of volunteers providing nature tours of the 58-acre Lodi Lake Nature Area to interested school and civic groups. Docents have been trained in environmental education by the Lodi Unified School District’s Science Curriculum Specialist, Jay Bell.

The Lodi Lake Discovery Center is also available, by appointment, for class tours. The center features a natural history and vintage photograph collection from the area. A sand river table, a watershed model and City of Lodi stormwater maps help promote stewardship awareness as students learn how polluted run-off, often from their neighborhoods, ends up in the lake and Mokelumne River.

September- December is a busy time of the year for the docents. School tours are available during the week-days, free of charge for the LUSD and Lodi private schools. All others pay \$1.00 per child. Tours can be arranged by calling: 339-8722.

Docent monthly meetings are held the second Monday of the month at the Lodi Public Library, 7 pm, and are open to the public. Special guest speakers help educate and enrich the local community’s appreciation of the natural world we live in.

Mission Statement: “In the end, we conserve only what we love, we love only what we understand and we understand only what we have been taught.” Baba Diuom

The Lodi Lake Nature Area Docents are dedicated to helping the local community love, understand and conserve our natural resources, through education.

Interested in becoming a docent? Contact Kathy Grant at 339-8722 for more information.

Arts Commission Program Offerings

Are you starved for art?

Consider all the possibilities! The following are just a sample of the art classes offered through the City of Lodi’s Division of Arts and Culture at Hutchins Street Square. **For registration and a complete listing of classes, please call (209)333-5511 or visit us online at www.lodiarts.org.**

Drawing classes, beginning cartoon, stained glass for beginners, Delta Discoverers, painting for children, Lodi children’s chorus, ballroom dancing, home recording workshop for music, ballet, tap dance, belly dance, kinder art, piano, guitar, yoga, violin.

Lodi Parks & Recreation — The Benefits Are Endless!



If you're planning a family reunion, birthday party, wedding, or just a small get together, the Lodi Parks and Recreation Department has a picnic or building facility for you.



Kofu Park Building

Reservations for picnic areas and meeting rooms can be made up to one year in advance. We have areas that can accommodate groups as small as 30 up to large gatherings of 200. Reservation fees range from \$40 to \$270 depending on the facility used.

Athletic facilities are available for rent to the public for sports events. Baseball and softball tournaments, football and soccer games, and swimming parties are held at the city's park facilities throughout the year.

We also have 2 small meeting rooms. One is at Legion Park the other is at Kofu Park. Both rooms come equipped with tables, chairs, and electric burners.

Call our office at 333-6742 to make your reservation—but hurry, we fill up fast.

Picnic areas available for reservation:

- Emerson Park (Lion's Den)
- Legion Park (Loewen's Den)
- Salas Park
- Lawrence Park
- Katzakian Park
- Peterson Park

Lodi Lake Park also has five areas to offer:

- Youth Area
- Hughes Beach
- Parson's Point
- Rotary Area
- Kiwanis Area

Meeting rooms are available at:

- Legion Park
- Kofu Park

Pool rentals and beach rentals available too!



Legion Park Picnic Area

Facilities in the Lodi area include

(clockwise from top right): Salas Park, Youth Picnic at Lodi Lake, Lodi Lake Beach, Parson's Point, Katzakian and Peterson Picnic Areas.



Lodi Lake offers many areas to gather with friends and family.



Rotary Picnic Area at Lodi Lake

Call for more information and availability for your next event! Lodi Parks & Recreation: 333-6742.